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To: Mccarthy, Gina; Woodka, Janet; Blumenfeld, Jared; Brush, Jason; Strauss, Alexis;

Goldmann, Elizabeth

Cc: Kyle Rooke Subject: Permit Process

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Dear Member of the EPA,

My name is Thomas E. Price. I was born in Arizona and have lived and worked in Arizona my entire life.

I am writing to you to express my support for Rosemont Copper and would like to encourage you to assist this company in their effort to get the final permits and paperwork completed in order to start working on the property south of Tucson.

Having worked in five southern Arizona Copper mines from 1970 to 2009, I have seen environmental concerns rise from the bottom of the plans-of-operation to the top of the list.

I have had opportunities at four public meetings to review Rosemont's plans and I believe they are a highly motivated organization capable of seeing their plans completed to the satisfaction of the EPA and the citizens of Sothern Arizona.

Under the guidance of agencies like the EPA and the Forest Service, companies like Rosemont can play a large role in reviving our Southern Arizona economy. Responsible development of one of the richest mineral areas in the U.S. can be a win-win situation for everyone in Arizona and this country.

Please, don't waste an opportunity to be part of an economic solution for Southern Arizona. Time is of the essence for these businesses as well as the local residence. Six years is a bit much for a permit process, don't you think?

Mineral development can be achieved in Southern Arizona with progressive and innovative thinking by all concerned parties. Your expeditious attention to the Rosemont situation would be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely;

Thomas E. Price